

Passenger Transportation Licensing

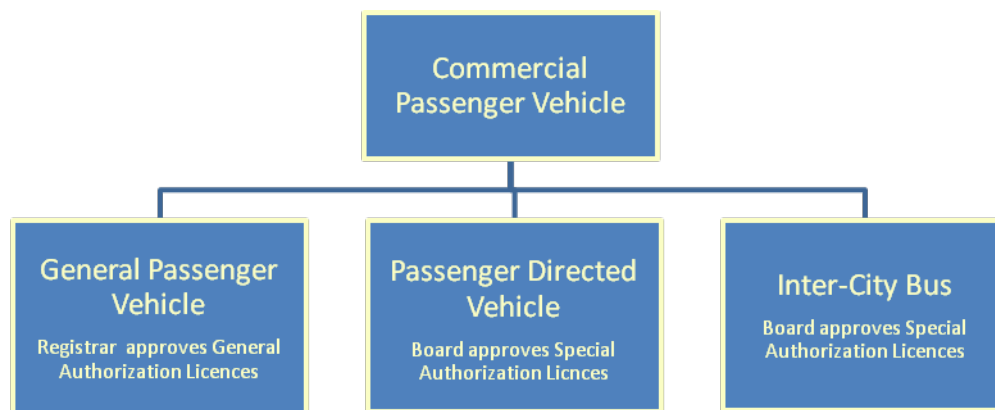
The *Passenger Transportation Act* sets out three types of commercial passenger vehicles:

1. Passenger directed vehicles – e.g. taxis, limousines, shuttle vans
2. Inter-city buses – e.g. buses that operate on a schedule
3. General passenger vehicles – e.g. sightseeing or tour buses with a set itinerary

The *Passenger Transportation Act* sets out two types of licence authorizations:

1. Special Authorization
2. General Authorization

The Passenger Transportation Board makes decisions on applications for Special Authorization. The Registrar of Passenger Transportation makes decisions on applications for General Authorization.



The Passenger Transportation Board reviews Special Authorization applications and considers three questions:

1. Is there a public need for an applicant's proposed service?
2. Is the applicant a fit and proper person and capable of providing the service?
3. Would approving the application promote sound economic conditions in the transportation industry?

If the Board approves an application, the Registrar of Passenger Transportation will issue a licence when safety requirements are met.

The Registrar of Passenger Transportation in the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure makes decisions on General Authorization applications. Licences with General Authorization are issued when safety requirements are met. There is no public need or other economic regulation test. The Registrar may refuse to issue a licence if he or she finds that the applicant is not a fit and proper person to provide the service.

The Registrar works with Commercial Vehicle Safety and Enforcement (CVSE) staff in the planning and delivery of enforcement and compliance actions for licensed and unlicensed carriers. The Registrar may impose administrative penalties on licensees.

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